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The Dorcas Society, of the First Lutheran church, will meet this evening at the home of Miss Hilma Peterson.

Police court receipts yesterday aggregated \$200, notwithstanding that but one offender graced the dock. He was a lone drunk and was taxed \$2.

J. R. Ritter, the genial proprietor of the Hammond Eating House, was in Astoria yesterday. Mr. Ritter's establishment sustains a well established popularity.

T. S. Simpson has petitioned the council for permission to erect bill boards on the site of the crossings on Commercial street from Seventeenth to Twenty-third.

It was reported yesterday that Geo. A. Nelson and several associates had

purchased the machinery formerly used in the Necanicum creek cannery and that they will operate the old Smith cannery in the east end this season. It is the intention to have the cannery ready for operation by April 15.

The Union Fishermen's Co-operative Packing Company will hereafter dispense with Chinese labor in the packing of salmon. The crew which operated the cannery last season will work this year at Altoona.

W. H. Barker, who returned yesterday from the sound, says he met F. P. Goss, formerly an Astoria newspaper man, at Tacoma. Mr. Goss has recently married and is connected with the Tacoma Ledger. He is doing very nicely.

A petition was filed yesterday by people living in John Day precinct asking the council to improve that portion of the road within the limits of the city. The petition sets forth that the road

has been improved by the county from the city limits to John Day, but that it is impassable within the limits of the city. The matter will be acted upon by the council Monday night.

The barkentine T. P. Emigh has cleared for Honolulu with a cargo of lumber taken on at the Portland Lumber Company's plant. She carries 1-179,496 feet of rough Oregon pine, valued at \$11,795, and 95,150 pieces of lath, valued at \$238.

J. S. Boyle, Portland agent of the National Oil & Transportation Company, has received advices from the San Francisco headquarters of the corporation to the effect that the oil tank steamer Rosecrans, which was here not long ago with an oil cargo, is due in the river again February 6. She is bringing 25,000 barrels of crude oil for fuel. It will be discharged at Linn-ton.

Bids have been called for by the chief quartermaster of the department of Columbia for 2,419,000 feet of Oregon or Washington fir lumber, to be forwarded to Manila, where it will be utilized in the erection of government structures. The tenders received will be opened February 3, and the specifications provide that all material must be "merchantable" under the coast standard of export grading.

One of the pleasing features of last night's production of the sacred opera "Queen Esther" was the vocal solo of Mr. William Hoyt, of Spokane. Mr. Hoyt has a remarkable baritone voice and his rendition of "Asleep in the Deep" was enthusiastically applauded. His encore was even better rendered. The young gentleman came to the city with Mr. Robinson and has assisted in the production of the opera.

A report has reached Vancouver, B. C., from Alsea, near White Horse, by way of Ashcroft, that a strike has been made in the new diggings surpassing Bonanza creek in its best days. On No. 19, below discovery, on Bullion creek, gravel that gives returns of \$1.20 a pan has been struck. The depth and width of the pay gravel is not yet known, but it is thought to be extensive.

According to Frank Patton logs will be scarce if the present dry spell continues for any length of time. The dry weather is working a hardship on the fresh water loggers, who are unable to get their logs down to tidewater. The price of logs is now \$7 and \$8 and Mr. Patton thinks it will advance to \$9 if the present dry spell holds out. Despite the high price of logs the price of lumber has lately fallen, but improvement is looked for in the lumber market.

It is reported that the town of Knappa is to have a large export saw mill. According to the report, Mrs. Knappa has sold her water front holdings at Knappa to W. G. Adams, of New York, and W. S. Ladd, of Portland, who will build one of the largest mills on the coast. It will be necessary to dredge out the river at that point to accommodate the large lumber vessels. Whether or not there is any truth in the report could not be learned yesterday.

The funeral of the late Clarence J. Brown will be held today at Port Townsend. The place where the young man fell to his death is not unlike the condemned roadway leading to the east end along the line of Exchange street east of Eighteenth. The roadway provides a short cut to the Port Townsend residence plateau and has long since been abandoned. In falling Mr. Brown's head struck a beam, rendering him unconscious, else he would without difficulty have been able to regain the bridge.

A dispatch from Salem says: "W. O. Hemlow, of Astoria, constructor of canning plants, asked the Commercial Club by letter if it would be possible to establish a milk condensing plant in Salem. He is agent of the American Condensary Supply & Equipment Company, of Detroit, Mich., which teaches the secret processes of making condensed milk, and wants to incorporate a company of local capitalists. He offers to take \$2000 in stock. The letter was referred to a committee for consideration."

C. C. Grimes, of Seaside, has again instituted suit for divorce from his wife, Sarah A. Grimes, the action having been commenced in Multnomah county. Less than a year ago Grimes commenced divorce proceedings in this county, but he lost the case. At that time it was generally said by residents of Seaside that the wife was a deserving woman, and popular sympathy was with her. Now Grimes sues for separation on the grounds of desertion

and infidelity. William Bowlin and Charles Brooks are named as co-respondents. The father asks to be granted the custody of the two girls, aged 15 and 12. After Grimes lost his suit in Clatsop county he adjusted his differences with his wife, agreeing to live apart. The "old Grimes' hotel" was deeded to Mrs. Grimes as a home for herself and children. Dissatisfaction over property divisions brought on the second suit.

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L. A. Sager was committed to the state hospital for the insane yesterday for treatment. The man is about 26 years of age and a skillful mechanic. He is now mentally unbalanced for the first time, and while not violently insane, imagines that he is the possessor of a certain "fire" that keeps things moving in his neighborhood. He told the sanity board that he had been studying wireless telegraphy and hypnotism, but that his "fire" had recently gone out, impairing his usefulness. Dr. Fulton expressed the belief that a course of treatment at the state hospital would restore the young man's reason. The father was present at the examination.

Special arrangements have been made to have the Clara Mathes Company, considered the most popular as well as the best stock company in the west, appear at Fishers' opera house for six nights, starting Tuesday, February 2. Miss Mathes and her company will present their repertoire of new dramatic successes, opening Tuesday with Chas. Adams' greatest comedy drama, "Only a Soldier Boy." As a special feature this season, seven vaudeville numbers are introduced between acts, making the performance continuous. Miss Mathes' supporting company this season numbers 15 people. Special scenery, costumes and electrical effects are used for each production. Prices, 20 and 30 cents. Seat sale opens Monday morning at Griffin's book store.

President Carnahan, of the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association, has named the following standing committees to act during the present year: Legislative—J. A. Eakin, John Fox, F. R. Stokes, G. C. Fulton, P. B. Sovey; transportation—C. V. Brown, C. R. Morse, W. E. Schimpff, Herman Wise, E. A. Taylor; fisheries—F. J. Taylor, Andrew Young, A. L. Fox, Robert Lindenberger, H. G. Van Dusen; manufactures—Harrison Allen, Martin Foad, William Madison, W. F. McGregor, R. C. Lee; printing and advertising—August Hilderbrand, J. E. Gratie, J. N. Griffin; J. C. Clinton, O. I. Peterson; roads and agriculture—F. L. Parker, William Larson, A. S. Skyles, John Frye, Theo. Bracker; ways and means—Frank Patton, H. S. Lyman, E. Z. Ferguson, G. Reed, W. L. Robb; health and sanitation—Dr. T. L. Ball, Chas. Rogers, B. J. Sloop, Albert Dunbar, William Beck.

If the petition filed yesterday in the county court is granted, the three Carr children, now known as the "Bragdons," will legally take the name. The petition was filed by F. D. Winton, who is acting for Mr. Bragdon. The children are Wilbur Carr, aged 14, Harold Carr, aged 12, and Clifford Carr, aged 11. They are known to all theater goers, the youngest child being especially accomplished. The petition recites that the children are the minor offsprings of Mr. and Mrs. John Carr, who live at New Brunswick, Middlesex county, N. J.; that the parents deserted them three years ago and have since failed to provide for them; that they are neither morally nor financially capable of caring for the children. The petition filed by Mr. Bragdon is accompanied by another petition signed by the three children, who ask the court to make the order prayed for. The case has been set for hearing March 21. Pending the hearing the parents will be notified to appear and show cause why the petition should not be granted. The children are rare entertainers and have appeared in all the local theaters.

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